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Virginia tracks down two child support evaders -- More than \$300,000 collected --

Richmond – The Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) Division of Child Support Enforcement (DCSE) recently collected \$301,368 from two child support evaders.

The Winchester DCSE District Office was successful in collecting \$201,368 from a delinquent non-custodial parent for his child. The delinquent parent had failed to comply with a court order and had failed to appear for a court hearing. Winchester DCSE had worked since 2002 to track down the delinquent parent and filed a lien on property that he owned. When he attempted to sell the property, DCSE was successful in procuring the \$201,368 payment for the child who is now 23 years of age.

The Roanoke DCSE District Office was successful in collecting \$100,000 from a delinquent non-custodial parent for his five children. The delinquent parent has child support cases in both the Abingdon DCSE District Office and the Roanoke DCSE District Office for his five children ranging in age from 14 years to 25 years. After numerous enforcement actions, including driver's license suspension and filing several petitions with the court, DCSE was successful in procuring the \$100,000 payment by seizing a lump sum payment on a Worker's Compensation claim filed by the non-custodial parent.

"I am pleased that DCSE was able to use the various enforcement methods available to them to collect these child support payments that have been owed to these children for quite some time," said VDSS Commissioner Anthony Conyers Jr. "These staff members have shown their commitment toward the well-being of the children of Virginia by continuing to pursue the support that is owed to them, and the children will be much better off because of it."

"About one quarter of all children in Virginia rely on regular child support payments for their financial stability," said DCSE Director Nick Young. "These two cases show the dedication that our child support professionals display each day to enforce and collect delinquent child support obligations."

More information about Virginia's child support program can be found on the VDSS Web site at: <http://www.dss.state.va.us/family/dcse.html>.

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